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U.S. Application Serial No. 10/608,788, Grandfield et al., *Coil Textured Heat Shrink Polymer Guide Wire*, filed June 26, 2003

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